## CITY OF BELLEVUE CITY COUNCIL

## Summary Minutes of Special Meeting with Seattle City Council

August 2, 2002 City Hall/Tour 11:00 a.m. Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, Councilmembers Creighton,

Davidson, Lee, Mosher, and Noble

ABSENT: None.

**GUESTS**: **Seattle City Council** 

Council President Peter Steinbrueck

Jan Drago Nick Licata Margaret Pageler Heidi Wills

## 1. <u>Tour of Bellevue</u>

Mayor Marshall called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m. and welcomed guests from the Seattle City Council. Diane Carlson, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, introduced the tour and distributed packet materials including maps.

Matt Terry, Planning and Community Development Director, served as tour guide. He described the significant park/open space investment at Mercer Slough. Mr. Terry provided a brief history of Bellevue's acquisition and development of parks and described elements of the upcoming parks and open space bond issue. He noted that Bellevue adopted the state's first sensitive areas ordinance before the Growth Management Act was implemented. He described transportation improvements underway at the SE 8<sup>th</sup> Street/I-405 interchange, which are part of the larger Access Downtown project with Sound Transit and the Washington State Department of Transportation.

During the tour of downtown Bellevue, Mr. Terry highlighted:

- The increase in housing units.
- Meydenbauer Convention Center and future expansion opportunity.
- Downtown growth from 1998 to 2002, including office developments.

- Recent expansion of Bellevue Transit Center.
- Additional elements of the Access Downtown project along I-405.
- The housing market north of NE 8<sup>th</sup> Street, including affordable housing projects.
- Pedestrian Corridor.
- Additions to Bellevue Square.
- Downtown Park.
- Meydenbauer Bay marina Lorrie Peterson, Parks Department Property Manager, described the marina property.

At 12:30 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich City Clerk

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